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On page 1, line 2 of the specification, the comma after "(metallic sheet)" has been changed to a period and the rest of line 3 and all of line 4 deleted.

On page 2, line 19 of the specification, after "device" delete "according to claim 1 or 37 and a process according to claim 10 is proposed" and insert in its place —and process for conveying metallic enclosures in an upward direction from a collecting plane and a release plane according to embodiments of the present disclosure—

On page 3, line 1 of the specification "(claim 14)" has been deleted.

On page 3, line 4 of the specification "(claim 8)" has been deleted.

On page 3, line 6 of the specification "(claim 10, group ©)" has been deleted.

On page 3, line 7 of the specification "(claim 23, claim 11)" has been deleted.

On page 4, line 3 of the specification, "(claim 37, claim 4)" has been deleted.

On page 4, lines 13 and 14 of the specification "(claim 6, claim 26)" has been deleted.

On page 4, line 17 of the specification "according to claim 1 or 37" has been deleted and —and process for conveying metallic enclosure in an upward direction from a collecting plane and a release plane according to embodiments of the present disclosure—inserted in its place.

On page 4, line 21 of the specification "(claim 5)" has been deleted.

On page 4, line 25 of the specification "(claim 38)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 3 of the specification, "(claim 6)" has been deleted.

On page 5, lines 9 and 10 of the specification, "(claim 7)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 11 of the specification, "(claim 31)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 14 of the specification, "(claim 9)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 15 of the specification, "(claim 32, 33)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 21 of the specification, "(claims 24, 25)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 24 of the specification, "(claims 11, 12)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 26 of the specification, "(claim 15)" has been deleted.

On page 5, line 32 of the specification, "(claim 35, 36)" has been deleted.

On page 6, line 2 of the specification, "(claim 19)" has been deleted.

On page 6, line 6 of the specification, "(claim 22)" has been deleted.

On page 6, line 11 of the specification, "(claim 10, last alternative)" has been deleted.

On page 6, lines 12 and 13 of the specification, "(claim 9, claim 24)" has been deleted.

On page 6, line 14 of the specification, "(claim 7)" has been deleted.

On page 6, lines 17 and 18 of the specification, "(claim 27)" has been deleted.

On page 6, line 22 of the specification, "(claim 28, 29)" has been deleted.

On page 6, line 30 of the specification, "(claim 30)" has been deleted.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with George Y. Wang on 1/28/2008.

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